

**Borough of Rocky Hill**  
**Borough Council**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
June 4, 2012

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill was called to order by Mayor Edward Zimmerman at 7:30 PM followed by the salute to the Flag.

**NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

Mayor Zimmerman read the following statement into the record: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting was included in a list of meetings transmitted to the Courier News and Somerset Spectator on January 11, 2012. Notice remains continuously posted as to required notices under the Statute. A copy of this notice is available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Tom Bremner-present, Mr. Jeff Donahue-present, Ms. Julia Hasser-present, Mr. Mark Pausch-present, Mr. Josh Hochberg-absent, Mr. Robert Steen-present.

Also present: Mayor Ed Zimmerman, Borough Clerk Rebecca Newman, Borough Engineer Bill Tanner, and Attorney James Harding.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

Mayor Zimmerman gave a reminder that there is a primary election on June 5. The Somerset County Governing Officials annual picnic will be held in Millstone on June 13. The summer constable Bill Hallman has been sworn in and has begun monitoring the tennis courts. The Governor will hold a town hall meeting in Piscataway on June 6. The bear that was seen in Rocky Hill last week was killed on I-95. The Mayor asked how the Rocky Hill flags have been put up in the past and asked for assistance in getting them up on telephone poles. The Millstone CFO has decided not to retire at this time, therefore the shared services agreement with Joe Monzo is on hold.

The Clerk asked that any council members planning to attend the annual League conference in Atlantic City in November to let her know as soon as possible.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2012**

Hasser moved to approve the minutes as presented. Pausch seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote- all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch

Against: None

Abstain: Steen

**Executive Session Minutes—May 21, 2012**

Donahue moved to approve the minutes as presented. Hasser seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote- all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch

Against: None

Abstain: Steen

**REQUEST OF COUNCIL FOR NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Toby Whitlock of 94 Crescent Ave. commented that the Memorial Day service was nice but not well attended, and he suggested that the Borough put up a sign announcing future events.

**STATE POLICE REPORT**

No report.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Engineer Bill Tanner presented the report dated June 4, 2012.

The Engineer has emailed Montgomery Township about fixing the drainage problem with the pond on Crescent Ave., and he is considering using the County prisoners to help do the repairs. The Engineer was told by Montgomery Township that they have mowed the grass in Van Horne Park that is adjacent to Princeton Ave., although this does not appear to be the case. Montgomery Township will be closing six parks, including Van Horne, on June 6<sup>th</sup> for maintenance.

The Beautification sub-committee will be meeting on June 13. The sewer billing issue is ongoing. The playground re-mulching project is complete. The Engineer has warned Stonebridge that fines will be assessed if the sewer odor is not remedied. The Engineer has reached out to South Brunswick for assistance with the storm sewer line issues, and he has sent an RFP for the mowing of the Green Acres.

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

No report.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS TO BE PAID**

Bill List dated June 4, 2012 was presented for approval. Steen moved to approve all vouchers. Donahue seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

Against: None

Abstain: None

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2012-55—Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License—Copper Bottom LL, T/A Rocky Hill Inn**

Bremner moved to approve the resolution as presented. Steen seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote—all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

Against: None

Abstain: None

**Resolution 2012- -- Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License—Cajo Enterprises LLC, T/A One53**

Tabled

**Resolution 2012-56—Authorizing the Clerk to Sign an Application for a Social Affairs Permit to the State of New Jersey ABC for the Friends of the Mary Jacob Library**

Donahue moved to approve the resolution as presented. Pausch seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote—all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

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Against: None

Abstain: None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Public Hearing Ordinance 2012-04: An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease Renewal of Certain Municipal Lands and Buildings, being the South Room on the First Floor of Borough Hall, 15 Montgomery Avenue, in the Borough of Rocky Hill, to the Rocky Hill Cooperative Nursery School.**

Motion made by Hasser to adopt Ordinance 2012-04. Steen seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote—all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

Against: None

Abstain: None

**Rocky Hill Co-op Benefit Cyclo-Cross Race**

Tabled

**Update on Municipal Building Signage**

Council Member Bremner reported that he is no longer using the County to make the sign and is instead using Pellegrino Signs. Bremner moved to have a Municipal Building replacement sign made for an amount not to exceed \$3,000. Steen seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote—all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

Against: None

Abstain: None

**Resolution 2012-57—Declaring the Scrap Metal Items as Surplus**

Bremner moved to approve the resolution as presented. Pausch seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote—all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

Against: None

Abstain: None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Request for Permission for the First Reformed Church to use Panicaro Park on June 10, 2012 for the Annual Church Picnic**

Bremner moved to approve the use of Panicaro Park by the First Reformed Church on June 10. Steen seconded the motion. Motion carried on roll call vote—all ayes.

For: Bremner, Donahue, Hasser, Pausch, Steen

Against: None

Abstain: None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Communications as listed were distributed, disseminated and filed accordingly.

**FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Peggy Harris of 66 Crescent Ave. requested that pedestrian signs be placed at the 4-way stop at Princeton Ave. and Crescent Ave.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Donahue with a second by Hasser to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 PM.  
Motion carried on voice vote, all voted in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted:

Christine Witt  
Deputy Borough Clerk

BILL LIST JUNE 4, 2012

List of Bills - (0110101001) CASH  
CURRENT FUND

Check#	Vendor	Description	Payment	Check Total
7229	71 - DIFRANCESCO BATEMAN PC	PO 3865 Legal services April 2012	1,815.00	1,815.00
7230	72 - DUO BLDG MAINTENANCE	PO 3870 Cleaning service Borough Hall	185.00	185.00
7231	467 - FIBAR SYSTEMS INC.	PO 3048 safety surfacing, fiber fabric & dr	3,297.00	3,297.00
7232	481 - FLOWER BARN OF HILLSBOROUGH	PO 3864 Memorial Day wreath	90.00	90.00
7233	339 - NEW JERSEY DIV OF ALCOHILIC BEV CON	PO 3868 2 Liquor License Renewal Applicatio	6.00	6.00
7234	515 - RARITAN AND MILLSTONE RIVERS FLOOD	PO 3869 Flood Commission Dues	250.00	250.00
7235	354 - RICOH USA, INC.	PO 3862 Copy machine rental	124.50	124.50
7236	452 - SPRINT-NEXTEL CORP	PO 3872 Mayor and Clerk cell phones	166.21	166.21
7237	474 - United Rent All	PO 3867 Rental of loader for mulching of Pa	830.00	830.00
7238	284 - VALIC	PO 3861 2011 LOSAp	16,000.00	16,000.00
7239	289 - VERIZON	PO 3859 Borough Hall phone	209.32	209.32
7240	289 - VERIZON	PO 3860 EMS phone	68.43	68.43
7241	513 - W and E Baum	PO 3857 Cast Plaque per contract	1,290.00	
1010	State Treasurer	PO 3857 Cast Plaque per contract	1,290.00	2,580.00
		Dog Fees	6.00	
	TOTAL			25,621.46

Total to be paid from Fund 01 CURRENT FUND

25,621.46

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List of Bills - (1926005) INTERFUND - DUE CURRENT  
TRUST OTHER

Check#	Vendor	Description	Payment	Check Total
7242	514 - GREGORY WOHA	PO 3863 Escrow balance refund	1,066.00	1,066.00
	TOTAL			1,066.00

Total to be paid from Fund 19 TRUST OTHER

1,066.00

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List of Bills - (0810101001) CASH  
UTILITY OPERATING

Check#	Vendor	Description	Payment	Check Total
6661	71 - DIFRANCESCO BATEMAN PC	PO 3866 Sewer utility legal services April	750.00	750.00
6662	321 - MIRACLE CHEMICAL CO	PO 3871 Chemicals for water dept: sodium hy	59.80	59.80
6663	289 - VERIZON	PO 3858 Water Dept. phone	29.13	29.13
	TOTAL			838.93

Total to be paid from Fund 08 UTILITY OPERATING

838.93

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**RESOLUTION 2012-55**

**BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
SOMERSET COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, application has been received from Copper Bottom LLC, T/A Rocky Hill Inn for renewal of the Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License (1817-33-002-006); and

**WHEREAS**, said application is complete and accompanied by the required fees, affidavits, and tax clearance certificate from the New Jersey Division of Taxation; and

**WHEREAS**, no written objection to the renewal of this license was received by the Borough Clerk;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the license as referenced above be renewed for the 2012-2013 license year and that the Borough Clerk be directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution and the renewal application and accompanying fee to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, Department of Law and Public Safety, for processing, and to the applicants; and;
2. That the Borough Clerk be authorized to issue the 2012-2013 license to the proper holder with the effective date of July 1, 2012.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Rebecca P. Newman  
Borough Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Rebecca P. Newman, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council on June 4, 2012.

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Rebecca P. Newman  
Borough Clerk

**RESOLUTION 2012-56**

**BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
SOMERSET COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, application has been received from Mary Jacobs Library Friends for a social affair permit to serve wine on November 10, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, said application is complete and accompanied by the required fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk is required to sign the application certifying that municipality has no objection to granting this social affairs permit.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Borough Clerk is authorized to sign the application for the social affairs permit application on behalf of the Mary Jacobs Library Friends.
2. That the Borough Clerk be directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution and the application and accompanying fee to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, Department of Law and Public Safety, for processing, and to the applicants; and;
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:

By:



Rebecca P. Newman  
Borough Clerk

By:



Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Rebecca P. Newman, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council on June 4, 2012.

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Rebecca P. Newman  
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2012-57

BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
SOMERSET COUNTY

WHEREAS, Council Member Tom Bremner organized the basement of the Borough Hall; and

WHEREAS, there were several items that have been stored in the basement that are no longer functional; and

WHEREAS, the items are no longer of practical use to the Borough, and are hereby declared surplus property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill that the items be disposed of at a scrap metal recycling facility.

ATTEST:

By: 

Rebecca P. Newman  
Borough Clerk

By: 

Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Rebecca P. Newman, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council on June 4, 2012.

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Rebecca P. Newman  
Borough Clerk